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# LAST EDITION.

## CYRUS FIELD DYING.

His Family Fear that the End Will Come To-Day.

None of His Son's Broken Firm Has Yet Been Arrested.

Partner Wiechers Says His Interest in the Business Was \$1,000,000.

A bulletin was posted in the Stock Exchange at 1.10 o'clock this afternoon that Cyrus Field was dead.

The report gained general credence and caused considerable excitement, though the market was not materially affected.

It was learned at the house of Mr. Field, 123 East Twenty-first street, that the rumor was false. At 2 o'clock Mr. Field was still alive, and it was said that there was no change in his condition, though death might occur at any time.

Cyrus W. Field is a very sick man. His bodily strength seems to be failing every hour, and his family believe that his end is not far off.

Dr. Eugene Fuller is in constant attendance upon the sick man, and called at his house, 123 East Twenty-first street, at 7 o'clock this morning. At 8 A. M. he issued the following bulletin:

"Mr. Field's general condition has not improved during the night."

This is not encouraging news to his friends, considering the fact that he was falling slowly but surely all day yesterday.

Despite his extreme physical weakness, Mr. Field's mind seems to be clear. He does not talk much about his affairs, but his attention is said to be of the trouble that has come to his son's firm; but when he speaks it is of family matters, and his affection for his brothers.

ALL HOPE GIVEN UP.  
At the house of Mr. Field a member of his family said this morning that all hope of his complete recovery had been given up.

"We do not think he will ever be any better, for he seems to be completely shattered. He may linger for many days, but the end seems to be near at hand now."

DEATH MAY OCCUR TO-DAY.  
Mr. Morris K. Jessup called at Cyrus Field's house this morning, and on coming out, shortly before 11 o'clock, said Mr. Field was very low and was not likely to live through the day.

Mr. Sidney Dillon also called at Mr. Field's and spoke with him for a short time. He also said that Mr. Field was very low.

HIS FAMOUS BROTHERS.  
David Dudley Field, Cyrus Field's elder brother, is at the house of the latter. He lives near by, on the opposite side of Gramercy Park.

Judge Stephen J. Field, of the United States Supreme Court, who came on from Washington last Saturday and spent Sunday with his brother, returned to the National Capital Sunday night. He is now very busy with judicial matters, but will be summoned immediately if there is any sudden change for the worse in his brother's condition.

W. M. FIELD IN AN ASYLUM.  
Dr. Fuller could not be seen. It was said that Edward W. Field was neither at his own house nor at his great deal of the latter. He has been taken care of by some of his relatives, who have placed him under restraint. Several well-known specialists and alienists are said to be studying his case.

In addition to Mrs. Lindley, the sister of E. M. Field, who is ill at her father's house, Mrs. E. M. Field herself has been prostrated by the misfortune which has befallen her husband, and is now at the house of her brother, Dr. Charles L. Lindley, in Madison avenue.

At 1 o'clock it was said that no marked change had taken place in Mr. Field's condition. He was still very low and there were no more reasons to hope. The physicians were expected momentarily to make another examination.

David Dudley Field called at the house at 11 o'clock and remained about an hour.

THE FAILED FIRM'S AFFAIRS.  
Assignee Charles W. Gould, of the bankrupt firm of Field, Lindley, Wiechers & Co., is still looking in vain for assets. Although he has a score of men busy working on the books, he has thus far been able to find only \$500 in actual assets belonging to the firm.

What has become of the hundreds of thousands of dollars in cash and securities which were given into the hands of Edward M. Field by those who had confidence in his business ability and integrity?

The warrants of arrest, which were obtained yesterday by Lawyer Frederick A. Ward in behalf of his client, E. M. Field, were placed in the hands of Sheriff Gilman last night.

It was found that the papers had a few flaws, so they were taken back for correction, and again given to the sheriff for execution this morning. They were directed against all four members of the insolvent firm.

NO ARRESTS YET MADE.  
Up to noon today no arrest had been reported at the Sheriff's office. The claim of Dietz amounts to \$50,000, and the bail in each case was fixed by Judge Pratt, of Brooklyn, who granted the orders at \$50,000 each.

It is believed that one or two of the members of the firm will be summoned some time to-day. It is known that Mr. Lindley and Mr. Hildner are in town. Mr. Wiechers lives at Plinfield, N. J., but says he will not try to escape arrest.

Whether Edward M. Field will be found by the Sheriff's officers or not is somewhat problematical. Apparently one or two of his relatives know where he is, and they are not likely to tell.

PARTNER WIECHERS'S STATEMENT.  
Mr. Wiechers makes a statement which discloses the real state of affairs in the firm previous to the announcement of its failure. He says:

financial department. That was left to Mr. Field, whom we trusted implicitly.

"I put my entire personal fortune of \$500,000 into the business, my father deposited \$200,000, and my relatives in Germany contributed \$500,000 more."

"The latter were Conrad, Reuter, of Hamburg, Germany; Mrs. Kirstein, of Berlin, and Carl Wiechers, and Mrs. Lasser, of Schleswig, Germany."

"Two weeks ago Mr. Reuter cabled that he wanted his money at once. We had \$118,000 with us. I spoke to Mr. Field, who said that he would send the money to our friends in Mannheim, and would also send a one day draft to my uncle."

"That was sent so that he would get the money last Monday. As I have not heard from him, I have concluded that he has received it safely."

"At that time I had not the slightest suspicion that all was not right. Why, three weeks ago Mr. Field assured us all that he would have a pleasant surprise for us on Christmas. That would be, he said, a showing that we had made \$100,000 each since the business was started, last April."

"I was hoping to see him on Christmas. I would have laughed at him. To-day I am hopelessly bankrupted."

WAS HE RECKLESSLY SECURITIES.  
It is said that the firm of H. L. Horton & Co. borrowed \$100,000 from Field, Lindley & Co. recently, and put up a lot of bonds and stocks as collateral, leaving a wide margin. These securities have all disappeared.

Mr. Field is in the same boat, for he put up \$100,000 in securities to cover a loan of \$50,000. His bonds were all "spoiled" by Field & Co.

Mr. Gould said this morning that two banks which were involved by the failure, would not lose any money between them.

"It would be a large amount for a private individual to loan," said the assignee, "but wealthy and well-managed corporations will not be seriously embarrassed."

Another claimant's Frank J. Sprague, who put up some Edison General Electric Company stock with Field & Co. for a loan of \$25,000. His securities have vanished, and he has now brought suit against the members of the firm to recover the money.

Although it was denied yesterday that Senator Joaquin de Mier, the Cuban sugar planter, was in town, and had come to close the contract which he had made with Mr. Field to sell his plantation to the syndicate, his portmanteau was standing in the corner of Field & Co.'s offices in the Washington building this morning.

It was not there yesterday. The owner's name was painted in big white lettering on the side and everybody could read it who came into the office.

It is rumored downtown that Senator de Mier's sugar plantations in Cuba are not so extensive as they have been represented to be, and that if Mr. Field advanced \$400,000 on a mortgage of the property it will be found that the investment was a very poor one.

WARRANTS NOT TO BE SERVED.  
Sheriff Gilman told an EVENING WORLD reporter this morning that he had been requested by counsel for the parties who had obtained the warrants against Mr. E. M. Field and his partners to delay the service of the warrants until notified to the contrary.

No Run on the Tarrytown Bank.  
TARRYTOWN, Dec. 1.—There is no foundation for the report sent out that a run had begun on the Tarrytown National Bank because of complications with the failure of Field, Lindley, Wiechers & Co., of New York. Cyrus W. Field is a stockholder of the bank, but so far as can be learned none of the parties in the broken firm is in any way interested in it.

FIRE MARSHAL CALLED IN.  
Incendiarism Suspected in a Harlem Flat-House Fire.  
Fire was discovered at 1.30 o'clock this morning in the hallway on the third floor of the five-story brownstone flat-house 320 East One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, owned by Abraham Yont, of 314 East One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street.

The fire was started under suspicious circumstances and is thought to be a case of incendiarism.

The Fire Marshal has been called in and will investigate.

Among the occupants of the flat were Mr. and Mrs. Abner H. Breeden and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Winter.

NOW A WARM WAVE.  
No More Cold Weather Till Thursday Night, Says Dunn.  
Prognosticator Dunn's official thermometers showed a temperature of 27 degrees at 5 o'clock this morning, which was a rise of 15 degrees since yesterday at the same hour.

At 12.30 this afternoon the mercury marked 36 degrees, and the Prophet said that this warm wave extends all over the country, and that the weather will be 32 degrees below zero to-day.

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GEN. BUTLER'S CONDITION.  
Reports of His Critical Illness Denied at Lowell.  
SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.  
LOWELL, Mass., Dec. 1.—Gen. B. F. Butler's condition is unchanged. He continues comfortable.

It is expected that he will be able to be out soon. There is declared to be no truth in the reports that he is dangerously ill.

Nine Bodies Found, So Far, in the Ruins at Blackburn.  
SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.  
LONDON, Dec. 1.—A despatch from Blackburn states that the searching party has found five more bodies in the ruins at the scene of yesterday's explosion, making nine so far.

The man who had charge of the gasometer, the explosion of which caused the disaster, was arrested and subsequently released on bail.

Stabbed a Saloon-Keeper.  
Charles Turner, of No. 81 Pike street, was held in the Essex Market Court to-day, charged with having stabbed William Miller, a saloon-keeper at No. 85 Pike street, in the hand.

# CITY NEWS TERSELY TOLD.

To-Day's Record of Minor Happenings About Town.

Chronicles Briefly Drawn from Note-Book and Docket.

Fulton Street Merchant Falls.  
Charles S. Tremper, men's furnishings, 18 Fulton street, assigned to-day to Albert E. Coon, with preferences of \$200.

Dead in Bed Beside His Mother.  
Nelson Acker, three months old, was found dead in bed beside his mother, Mrs. Susie Acker, at 5.30 o'clock this morning at 178 Barclay street, near the nineteenth street. The coroner has been notified.

Slipped His Baby's Old Nurse.  
Morris Silverman, a baker at 80 Norfolk street, was held in the Essex Market Court to-day for slapping Malke Zimmerman, aged seventy, whom he engaged to nurse his baby, for inattention to duty.

She Blew Out the Gas.  
Martha Pliskorska, a German servant employed by S. Unger, of 208 Willis avenue, was found unconscious in her room this morning. She had blown out the gas. She was taken to the Harlem Hospital.

Drank a Quart of Whiskey.  
George Craig, of 93 Willow avenue, was sent to jail for fifteen days in Jersey City this morning. To demonstrate his capacity for whiskey he drank a quart of the stuff at one sitting and got howling drunk as a result.

Reading's Coal Output Reduced.  
The Reading Railroad Company, in accordance with the agreement to restrict the output of anthracite during December, announced that beginning to-day, the hours of labor at its mines will be reduced.

Cut His Throat with a Penknife.  
Philip Wlepet, of 278 Wallabout street, Brooklyn, became despondent last night over the loss of employment and tried to commit suicide by cutting his throat with a penknife. He is now in the Eastern District Hospital in a critical condition.

Printer Carey Takes Gas.  
F. A. Carey, a printer, was found unconscious in his room, 115 East Twelfth street, with the gas turned on at 3 o'clock this morning. An ambulance surgeon was called and saved his life. He is believed to have attempted suicide.

Crookery Damaged by Flames.  
A few minutes after midnight this morning a fire occurred in the third story of 28 College place, occupied by Richter & Handel, dealers in crockery, whose stock was damaged. Three hundred dollars damage was done to the lamp stock of A. D. Gullina.

A Floot Loaded with Stolen Cotton.  
Detectives Mullen and Larkin, of the Steamboat Squad, found thirteen bags of cotton, weighing 1,800 pounds, lying on a pier at the foot of Clinton street, North River. It is supposed the cotton was stolen. William Campbell, Superintendent of the Cotton Exchange, was notified of the finding.

Drummer Blake No Longer Missing.  
John N. Blake, a drummer, from Flint, Mich., who was reported missing from the St. Denis Hotel a week ago, has been found. Henry C. Smith, of 104 North street, a friend of Blake's, was told by a friend that the missing man had turned up all right.

W. W. Cryder Chosen Vice-President.  
The Board of Directors of the New York and New Jersey Bridge Company at a meeting held at their office, 514 Broadway, to-day elected W. W. Cryder as Vice-President to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of George W. Greene.

New York Girl Weds a Baron.  
Announcement is made to-day of the marriage in Paris, Thanksgiving Day, of Miss Lily Rhelms, the daughter of Leon Rhelms, the well-known milliner importer, of No. 5 West 10th street, and a Baron de St. Honoré. The ceremony was performed at the Church of St. Honoré d'Eylau.

Fire in a Clothing Store.  
There was a fire in the clothing store of Victor Napoleon, on the ground floor of a four-story building 419 Eighth avenue at 9 o'clock this morning. Damage amounting to \$1,000 was done to the stock and the building, which is owned by James J. Coogan, was injured to the extent of \$1,000.

Funeral of Miss Lillian Gerry.  
The funeral of Miss Lillian Gerry, youngest daughter of Commodore Elbridge T. Gerry, took place to-day from Trinity Chapel, on West Twenty-fifth street. The interment was in the family vault at Hyde Park, to which place the mourners were taken by special train. There were many beautiful floral tributes.

THE STANDARD GAS NOISANCE.  
Final Action to Be Taken by the Health Board To-day.  
The Board of Health will hold a meeting late this afternoon, when it is expected final action will be taken in the matter of the Standard Gas Company, whose works at the foot of East One Hundred and Fifteenth street were declared a nuisance some time ago and ordered to be closed.

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Sanitary Surge. Killing will report to the Board the result of their investigation. As far as is known the inspectors agree that the nuisance which formerly existed has been practically done away with. It is understood that President Lockwood will ask the Board to rescind its order.

For the Democratic Convention.  
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# A COUNTESS SEEKS DIVORCE.

Earl Russell in an English Court, Charged with Cruelty.

Remarkable Allegations Made on the Plaintiff's Side.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)  
LONDON, Dec. 1.—In the Divorce Division of Her Majesty's High Court of Justice, before Mr. Justice Butt, there was commenced to-day a case which has excited much comment, particularly in the higher walks of English life. This case is the application of Countess Russell for a judicial separation from her husband, Earl Russell, the grandson of the great Lord John Russell, on the ground of cruelty.

The parties to the suit are well known in society, and the allegations and counter-allegations have afforded topics for conversation in many circles of polite society.

John Francis Stanley Russell, Earl Russell, and Viscount Amberley, was born Aug. 12, 1865, and is, therefore, only about twenty-six years old. He succeeded to the earldom on the death of his grandfather, John, the first Earl Russell.

On Feb. 6, 1890, the Earl married Mabel, daughter of the late Sir Claude Scott, and a very short time afterwards the wife left her husband, alleging that he was cruel to her.

While the Earl was at college at Oxford he was noted for his eccentric theological and political views, and after his marriage his actions were such that the Countess believed him to be insane and was in fear of her life.

The Earl denies each and every one of the allegations made by his wife and claims that the whole trouble is due to his mother-in-law.

Sir Charles Russell appeared for the Earl, and Sir Edward Clarke, the Solicitor-General, represented the Countess.

The petition of the Countess states that from the time she married, in February, 1890, until she left him, Earl Russell habitually treated her with great harshness and cruelty, terrifying her and injuring her health.

The Earl compelled her to remain until 2 or 3 o'clock in the morning doing his accounts, when she was unable to complete them. He called her a useless, undisciplined woman, and an ungrateful devil. He also threatened her with a revolver.

Her content with abusing and insulting her in the privacy of their apartments he acted towards her in such a way that she was humiliated before her servants.

Sir Edward Clarke, for the petitioner, in opening the case to-day said that the parties to the suit had lived together for only four months owing to the conduct of the Earl. Earl Russell's conduct was such that she was compelled to leave him and to return to her father's house.

After the last separation the Earl wrote affectionately to the Countess and implored her to return to him. The Countess was persuaded against her better judgment and returned to her husband. But his affectionate treatment of her was of short duration. He again used personal violence against her and made her life miserable.

Once he drove her from bed and she fainted upon the floor, when she came to she dragged herself to the room of her nurse and spent the remainder of the night there. The Earl sought her in this room, but she threatened to throw herself from the window if he entered.

The Countess lost all hope of living happily with her husband and she again left him. Prior to the separation the matter of the Countess's support was talked over, and the Earl agreed to allow her £50 a month for her expenses.

This agreement the Earl violated. He paid the first monthly allowance, but after that the Countess received nothing from him except checks for the amount promised, which checks when presented at the bank were returned dishonored.

When Sir Edward had concluded his address, he called as the first witness the Countess Russell.

She arose from her seat in the rear of the room and made her way to the witness-box. Sir Edward first asked regarding the presence of one Roberts in the house and the Earl's spending considerable time with him.

The Countess stated, in reply, that she had remonstrated with the Earl on this account. She said that the Earl was more unkind to her when Roberts was in the house.

Replying to other questions, the Countess said the Earl had told her that he kept a loaded pistol concealed in his room and that he would shoot her if she annoyed him.

Upon the conclusion of the direct examination by Sir Edward Clarke the witness was cross-examined by Sir Charles Russell.

He opened by asking the Countess if she meant to make any imputation against her husband or Roberts.

The witness replied with decision: "Yes." This answer, which was given with snap and vim, created a sensation in the courtroom.

The witness then added that she had never made a direct charge against either the Earl or Roberts. The Countess admitted that she had written a letter to Harry Martineau, who was the best man at her wedding, saying that she thought the Earl was a dangerous man.

Against Roberts, adding that she was in the hands of clever men and would bring no charges against him unless she was fully able to prove them.

Life Insurance Agent McCormack to Be Executed.  
LONDON, Dec. 1.—John McCormack, who was arrested in Edinburgh on the charge of having defrauded the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company of New York, was brought up on remand in the Bow Street Police Court to-day.

The Court decided to grant the request for McCormack's extradition, and he will, therefore, shortly be sent back to the United States.

McCormack is charged with procuring lapsed policies issued by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, in whose employ he was, claiming that the policies were dead, forging their signatures and procuring the amounts named in the policies.

# CONNOLLY HITS.

Mrs. Bremer Removed To-Day as Deputy Factory Inspector.

No Reason Given in the Letter Dismissing Her from the Service.

A Demand for Letters Back of Which Lies a Story.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)  
NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Mrs. Alexander Bremer, removed to-day from the position of Deputy Factory Inspector, for the Second District, and the most efficient employee in the Department of which he is at the head.

He removes her without cause, taking advantage of the law which places the power of dismissal in the hands of the Factory Inspector and which does not provide for a hearing or defense by the person removed.

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# ESOP ON CURRENT EVENTS.

Some Cranes make their feeding grounds on some plough-lands newly sown with wheat. For a long time the farmer, brandishing an empty sling, chased them away by the terror he inspired; but when the birds found that the sling was only swung in the air, they ceased to take any notice of it, and would not move. The farmer, on seeing this, charged his sling with stones, and killed a great number. They at once forsook his plough-lands, and cried to each other: "It is time for us to be off to Liliput, for this man is no longer content to scare us, but begins to show us in earnest what he can do."

STRUCK BY A TIDAL WAVE.

The Steamship France Obligated to Return to Port.

Met a Terrible Storm Off Fire Island on Her Way Out.

The National line steamship France, which sailed from this port Saturday for London, put back again this morning and anchored off Liberty Island at 9 o'clock.

Capt. Thomas Foster reported that his vessel had been struck by a tidal wave which nearly overwhelmed her.

When off Fire Island Sunday night a terrible snow storm, with hail, came on, which lasted all night. The France's engines were slowed down and attempts were made to head out the storm, but at 3.40 A. M. a huge tidal wave swept the vessel, breaking everything on the port side and causing her to list to starboard. Capt. Foster decided that it was necessary to return to port.

The France has not carried passengers in several years. She had on board 575 head of Western and Texas cattle, attended by fifteen or twenty cattle men. The balance of the cargo was general merchandise. She has a crew of fifty-eight men.

The France is now anchored off Liberty Island with a heavy list to starboard.